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9	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS		
10 11	OF THE STATE	OF CALIFORNIA	
12	In the Matter of) CASE NO.	
13	THE CALIFORNIA CORPORATIONS)) FILE NO. 309-4042	
14	COMMISSIONER,)) STATEMENT OF ISSUES	
15	Complainant,))	
16	V.))	
17	SUPER ABSORBENT COMPANY,		
18	Respondent.))	
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22	PRESTON DuFAUCHARD, the California Corporations Commissioner		
23	("COMMISSIONER") of the Department of Corporations ("DEPARTMENT") alleges and charges		
24	as follows:		
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26	INTRODUCTION		
27	1. The proposed order seeks to refuse to issue a permit to sell securities in the form of		
28	common stock in Super Absorbent Company (hereinafter referred to as "SAC"), pursuant to section		
	25140 of the California Securities Law, (Corporations Code section 25000 et seq., hereinafter		
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	STATEMENT OF ISSUES		

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fraud upon the purchaser's thereof. 2. 3. COMMISSIONER.

referred to as the "CSL"), in that (1) the proposed plan of business of the Respondent and the proposed issuance of securities are not fair, just and equitable; (2) the Respondent does not intend to transact its business fairly and honestly; and (3) the securities which it proposes to issue and the methods to be used in issuing the proposed securities will, in the Commissioner's opinion, work a

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THE APPLICATION

- On December 22, 2006, SAC filed an Application to offer and sell securities in California pursuant to Corporations Code section 25113 (hereinafter referred to as "APPLICATION"). The APPLICATION was verified by PHILLIP BERLIN (hereinafter referred to as "BERLIN") as Chief Executive Officer. BERLIN filed supplemental information that was submitted by counsel for SAC, including the following: On March 15, 2007, BERLIN signed under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that SAC has not previously sold its common stock to investors residing in the State of California.
- Respondent proposes to qualify the offer and sale of securities in the form of common stock in SAC totaling \$3,000,000. A permit has not been issued pursuant to this APPLICATION. A Notice of Intention to Refuse to Issue Permit was issued on the date hereof by the

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THE COMMISSIONER'S STANDARDS HAVE NOT BEEN MET BY THE RESPONDENTS

4. Section 25140(b) of the CSL provides as follows:

The Commissioner may refuse to issue a permit under Section 25113 unless he or she finds that the proposed plan of business of the applicant and the proposed issuance of securities are fair, just and equitable, that the applicant intends to transact its business fairly and honestly, and that the securities which it proposes to issue and the methods to be used by it in issuing them are not such as, in his or her opinion, will work a fraud upon the purchaser thereof.

5. Complainant alleges that it is unable to find from the APPLICATION that Respondent's proposed plan of business and proposed issuance of securities are fair, just and equitable, that Respondent intends to transact business fairly and honestly, and that the securities which Respondent

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proposes to issue and the methods to be used in issuing them are not such as will work a fraud upon the purchasers thereof, based on the following violations.

IV

RESPONDENTS VIOLATED CSL SECTION 25110 AFTER ISSUANCE OF A DESIST AND REFRAIN ORDER

6. Section 25110 of the CSL provides as follows:

It is unlawful for any person to offer or sell in this state any security in an issuer transaction...unless such sale has been qualified under Section 25111, 25112, or 25113...or unless such security or transaction is exempted...

- 7. Pursuant to CSL Section 25532, on August 21, 2002, the COMMISSIONER issued a Desist and Refrain Order after determining that Respondent BERLIN had violated CSL Section 25110 by selling unqualified, non-exempt securities in the form of stock in MyOnlyCatalog.com, Inc, now known as Commerce Syndication Network, Inc. The COMMISSIONER ordered BERLIN to desist and refrain from the further offer or sale in the State of California of securities in the form of stock, unless and until qualification has been made under said law or unless exempt.
- 8. In addition, the COMMISSIONER has issued other Desist and Refrain Orders against BERLIN: 1) in November 1994 in connection with an illegal securities offering known as Diamond Communications; and 2) in August 2002, in connection with an illegal securities offering known as S.K.B. Trading Group, Inc.
- 9. From about October 2001 through December 2006, Respondent and BERLIN have been offering and selling unqualified, non-exempt securities in SAC totaling over \$4,000,000 in violation of CSL Section 25110 and the Desist and Refrain Orders previously issued.

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RESPONDENTS VIOLATED CSL SECTION 25166

- 10. Section 25166 of the CSL provides as follows:
 - It is unlawful for any person willfully to make any untrue statement of a material fact in any application, notice, or report filed with the commissioner under this part...
- 11. Respondent has violated CSL Section 25166 by willfully making the following untrue

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statement of material fact in its APPLICATION: On March 15, 2007, BERLIN signed under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that SAC has not previously sold its common stock to investors residing in the State of California. In reality, SAC did sell its common stock to investors residing in the State of California. VI **CONCLUSION** Respondent's conduct, as described in paragraphs I through V, shows that (1) the proposed plan of business of the Respondent and the proposed issuance of securities are not fair, just and equitable; (2) the Respondent does not intend to transact its business fairly and honestly; and (3) the securities which it proposes to issue and the methods to be used in issuing the proposed securities will, in the Commissioner's opinion, work a fraud upon the purchaser's thereof. WHEREFORE, IT IS PRAYED that the permit application filed by SAC and BERLIN on December 22, 2006, as supplemented and amended to date, be refused. Dated: April 24, 2007 PRESTON DuFAUCHARD Los Angeles, California California Corporations Commissioner ByMICHELLE LIPTON Senior Corporations Counsel **Enforcement Division**

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